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"It is our mission to provide the citizens of Lincoln a convenient, reliable, comfortable, safe and affordable public mass transit system."

Triennial Review Briefing on the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 2013 review of the City of Lincoln: StarTran. The review determines whether a grantee is administering its FTA-funded programs in accordance with 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53, Federal transit law provisions. It assesses grantee management practices and program implementation of the Urbanized Area Formula Program (U.S.C. 5307), Capital Investment Program (49 U.S.C. 5309), Job Access and Reverse Commute Program (49 U.S.C. 5316), and New Freedom Program (49 U.S.C. 5317), to ensure that the programs are administered in accordance with FTA requirements and are meeting program objectives.

Briefing on the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 2013 Triennial Review of the City of Lincoln

Section 5307 of the Federal Transit Act requires that at least once every three years, a triennial review be conducted to evaluate the performance of a grant recipient in carrying out the recipient's program, specifically referring to compliance with statutory and administrative requirements and the extent to which actual program activities are consistent with the activities proposed. In addition to helping evaluate grantees, the review gives FTA an opportunity to provide technical assistance on the latest FTA requirements.

On October 9 & 10, 2013 the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) conducted a triennial review of the City of Lincoln (StarTran). After the review the FTA allows 7 days for the grantee to submit comments and address any identified deficiencies. After this time a final report is issued to the grantee. The Triennial review consists of a desk review, site visit and inspection of records. Triennial Review covers 18 areas of compliance:

- 1. Legal
- 2. Financial Management and Financial Capacity
- 3. Technical
- 4. Satisfactory Continuing Control
- 5. Maintenance
- 6. Procurement
- 7. Disadvantaged Business Enterprise
- 8. Planning/Program of Projects
- 9. Title VI
- 10. Public Comment on Fare and Service Changes

- 11. Half Fare
- 12. Americans with Disabilities Act
- 13. Charter Bus
- 14. School Bus
- 15. National Transit Database
- 16. Safety & Security
- 17. Drug Free Workplace and Drug & Alcohol Program
- 18. Equal Employment Opportunity

During the review deficiencies were found in 8 areas: Financial Management & Financial Capacity, Technical, Satisfactory Continuing Control, Maintenance, Procurement, Planning/Program of Projects, Title VI and Americans with Disabilities Act, while advisory comments were made in Safety and Security. StarTran was able to develop corrective measures and update pertinent documents that addressed all of these deficiencies within the 7 day window which resulted in the FTA closing all of these findings.

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